

A RESOLUTION recognizing Tennessee's relationship with the Republic of China on Taiwan and the participation of that republic in the international community.

WHEREAS, commercial interaction between Tennessee and the Republic of China on Taiwan, has grown substantially in recent years, to the benefit of our state; and

WHEREAS, a democratic, multi-party political system has been smoothly established in the Republic of China on Taiwan in recent years; and

WHEREAS, the direct role of the Republic of China on Taiwan in international development programs and humanitarian relief operations has expanded significantly during the past decade, often in close coordination with our nation's own such efforts; and

WHEREAS, seven (7) Central American countries have proposed to the Secretary General of the United Nations that a supplementary item be included in the provisional agenda of the 48th United Nations General Assembly session to consider the exceptional situation of the Republic of China on Taiwan in the international community based on the principle of universality and in accordance with the established pattern of parallel representation by divided countries in the United Nations; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That the State of Tennessee's ongoing commercial relationship with the Republic of China on Taiwan is hereby recognized as serving our mutual interests in an equitable and reciprocal manner.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That due consideration should be given by the United States to the readiness of the Republic of China on Taiwan for the latter's further contributions

to and broader participation in the international community, including such forums as multilateral trade associations, humanitarian relief organizations, and the United Nations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Director-General of the Republic of China on Taiwan's Coordination Council for North American Affairs and to each member of Tennessee's congressional delegation.

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